



1989 88th SEASON

REGIONAL STUDENTS EXHIBITION

March 4th through March 17th

65th ANNUAL SPRING JURIED EXHIBITION

May 20th through June 10th

88th ANNUAL SUMMER JURIED EXHIBITION

June 17th through July 9th

57th ANNUAL MEMBERS EXHIBITION

July 15th through August 19th

13th ANNUAL FALL MEMBERS EXHIBITION

August 26th through October 1st

CHRISTMAS EXHIBITION

November 11th through November 26th



LYME ART ASSOCIATION

90 Lyme Street

Old Lyme, Connecticut

A BRIEF HISTORY ...

The Lyme Art Association, incorporated in 1914, is the oldest art association in the United States to have held continuous exhibitions in its own gallery. Exhibitions of Old Lyme Impressionist paintings began in 1902, and were held every summer in the Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library until August 6, 1921, when the present Lyme Art Association gallery was completed. Gifford Beal, Louis Paul Dessar, Childe Hassam, and Willard L. Metcalf joined with Will Howe Foote, Henry Rankin Poore, Allen B. Talcott, and Carleton Wiggins in the early exhibitions of the Art Association.

The Lyme Art Association Gallery was the culmination of seven years of planning by artists Frank Bicknell, William Chadwick, Harry Hoffman, Wilson Irvine, Lawton Parker, William Robinson, Edward Rook, and Gregory Smith. The present site was purchased from Miss Florence Griswold in 1917, and a building committee, chaired by Lawton Parker, worked with architect Charles A. Platt, designer of the Freer Art Gallery in Washington, D.C. to develop plans for the gallery in Old Lyme. The Art Association's gallery has perfect lighting and, architecturally, it is in complete harmony with the old New England village of Old Lyme. In its review of the opening exhibition, *The New York Times* called the gallery "an embodiment of art in harmony with its natural surroundings." The Lyme Art Association has presented exhibitions in their gallery every year since 1921, and has stimulated a strong spirit between the artists and their community.

The number of exhibitions expanded over the years with the introduction of the Spring Exhibition in 1925 and the Autumn Members Exhibit in 1933. The Goodman Gallery was built in 1938, and was donated by Mrs. William Owen Goodman in memory of her husband, the Chicago art patron, who was the Association's third president.

Today, the Art Association is host for six annual art exhibitions which range from children's works to those of its esteemed artist members. Periodically, retrospective exhibits of its deceased members' works are held, and these exhibits are arranged in conjunction with information found in the Lyme Art Association archives. The Art Association is fortunate to have hundreds of documents, letters, books, and photographs which recall its founding and early days of the art group in Old Lyme. These records are a valuable source of information for those interested in research, art, and history.

The Lyme Art Association has attained a distinctive position in the art world. Its past and present membership is composed of many noted artists and people associated with the arts. Works by its artist members are found as near as the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, others as far distant as the National Gallery of New Zealand. The Association invites exhibitors, who live within a reasonable distance of the gallery, to submit their finest work to an all-member artist jury for the Spring and Summer Exhibitions. The Association also is interested in increasing its membership in order to broaden its influence in the artistic education of the country. You are cordially invited to join as an Associate, Contributing, or Patron Member. Membership folders are available at the reception desk.

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1902 - 1980

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